# 411 - Commission on Fire Protection

Workforce Summary Document prepared by the State Auditor's Office.

Based on information self-reported by the agency, the following items are worth noting.

## Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) Employees

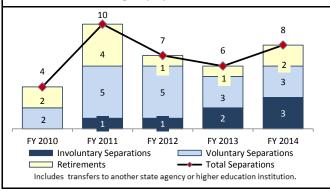
The agency's full-time equivalent (FTE) employee limitation remained the same in fiscal year 2014 compared to fiscal year 2013. Compared to fiscal year 2010, the agency saw a decrease of 9.8 (26.1 percent) in the total number of FTEs.

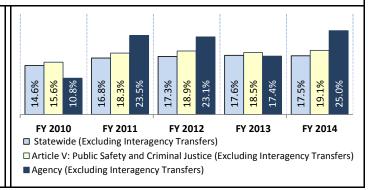
| FTEs Below/Above FTE Limitation |         |         |         |         |         |  |  |
|---------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--|--|
|                                 | FY 2010 | FY 2011 | FY 2012 | FY 2013 | FY 2014 |  |  |
| FTE Limitation                  | 40.8    | 40.0    | 31.0    | 31.0    | 31.0    |  |  |
| Number Below or                 | -3.3    | -6.3    | -1.4    | -2.6    | -3.3    |  |  |
| Above Limitation                | 0.0     | 0.0     |         |         |         |  |  |
| Percent Above or                | -8.1%   | -15.8%  | -4.5%   | -8.4%   | -10.6%  |  |  |
| Below Limitation                |         |         |         |         |         |  |  |



## Employee Turnover <sup>a</sup>

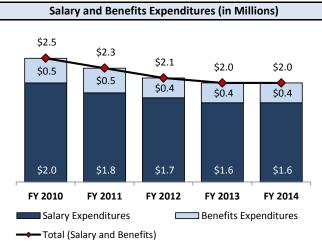
Excluding interagency transfers, the turnover rate within the agency (25.0 percent) was higher than the statewide turnover rate (17.5 percent) and higher than the turnover rate of Article V agencies (19.1 percent) during fiscal year 2014. The fiscal year 2014 agency turnover rate including employees who transferred to another state agency or higher education institution was 28.6 percent.





## **Compensation Information** <sup>a</sup>

The average agency salary in fiscal year 2014 of \$50,953 represented an increase of 1.7 percent compared to the average agency salary in fiscal year 2010. In fiscal year 2014, 72.7 percent of employees were paid below the midpoint of the salary range in which they were assigned; and total agency expenditures for salary and benefits were lower compared to fiscal year 2010.



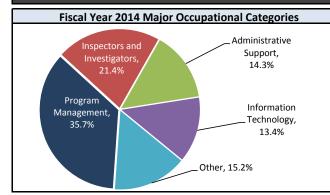
| Average Salary Trends   |           |         |        |    |         |    |         |    |         |  |
|---|-----------|---------|--------|----|---------|----|---------|----|---------|--|
|   | FY 2010   | FY 2011 |        | F  | FY 2012 |    | FY 2013 |    | FY 2014 |  |
| Executive Director  | \$ 92,600 | \$      | 92,600 | \$ | 92,600  | \$ | 92,600  | \$ | 92,600  |  |
| Agency Average  | \$ 50,077 | \$      | 50,969 | \$ | 50,662  | \$ | 51,180  | \$ | 50,953  |  |
| Article Average   | \$ 35,792 | \$      | 36,995 | \$ | 37,303  | \$ | 37,322  | \$ | 39,143  |  |
| Statewide Average   | \$ 39,265 | \$      | 39,804 | \$ | 40,160  | \$ | 40,398  | \$ | 42,116  |  |
| Note: With the exception of the executive director, the average salaries are for classified |           |         |        |    |         |    |         |    |         |  |

Note: With the exception of the executive director, the average salaries are for classified regular, full-time employees only.

| Number of and Total Dollars Spent on Salary Actions |                  |               |        |                  |               |         |  |
|---|------------------|---------------|--------|------------------|---------------|---------|--|
|   | Fiscal Year 2013 |               |        | Fiscal Year 2014 |               |         |  |
|   | Actions          | Dollars Spent |        | Actions          | Dollars Spent |         |  |
| Promotions  | 8                | \$            | 14,162 | 4                | \$            | 33,974  |  |
| Merits  | 0                | \$            | 0      | 0                | \$            | 0       |  |
| One-Time Merits                                     | 24               | \$            | 39,930 | 22               | \$            | 94,000  |  |
| <b>Equity Adjustments</b>                           | 0                | \$            | 0      | 0                | \$            | 0       |  |
| Reclassifications                                   | 0                | \$            | 0      | 0                | \$            | 0       |  |
| Totals  | 32               | \$            | 54,092 | 26               | \$            | 127,974 |  |

<sup>a</sup> Turnover, salary trends, and salary action information was prepared from quarterly and year-end summary information received from the Comptroller of Public Accounts' Uniform Statewide Payroll/Personnel System (USPS), the Human Resource Information System (HRIS), and the Standardized Payroll/Personnel Reporting System (SPRS). Unless otherwise indicated, these data are reported for classified regular, full-time and part-time employees. Salary and benefit information was taken from the Uniform Statewide Accounting System of Texas.

#### Job Classifications b

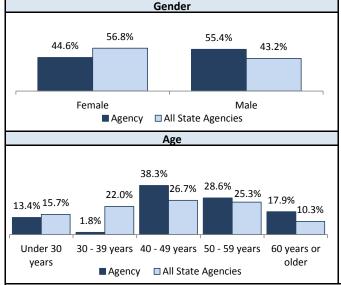


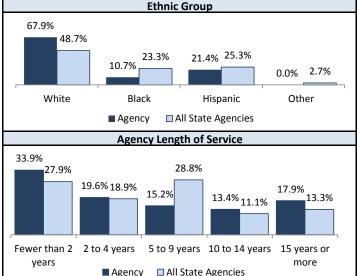
#### **Agency Job Classifications**

In fiscal year 2014, the majority (66.0 percent) of employees were classified in the following job titles: Program Specialist (23.2 percent), Inspector (21.4 percent), Manager (10.7 percent), and Customer Service Representative (10.7 percent).

### Fiscal Year 2014 Workforce Demographics b

On average, employees at the agency were 49.3 years of age and had 7.2 years of agency length of service. Of the agency's employees, 84.8 percent were 40 years of age or older, and 53.5 percent had fewer than 5 years of agency length of service. The Employees Retirement System estimates that between fiscal years 2014 and 2018, 40.0 percent of the agency's workforce will be eligible to retire (based on fiscal year 2014 data).

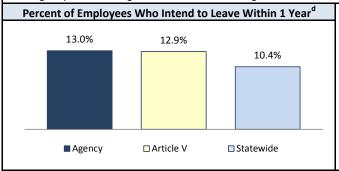




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## Survey of Employee Engagement<sup>c</sup>

The Survey of Employee Engagement, administered by the University of Texas at Austin, is an instrument that measures employees' job satisfaction and employees' perceptions of the effectiveness of the agency. Scores range from 1 to 5, with 5 being the highest. Overall, the agency's score is higher than the state average and has increased since the last survey cycle.





<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>c</sup> Information on the Survey of Employee Engagement was received from the Organizational Excellence Group at the University of Texas at Austin.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>d</sup> Percentage is based on the number of employees who answered the question in the 2014 survey.